Mr. Harold Weisberg 7627 Old Receiver Road Hyattstown, Maryland

Dear Mr. Weisberg,

My name is William Beck, I teach high school mathematics at Parkville High School in Baltimore County and am a collector of Kennedy on stamps. As a result of wanting to enter my collection ia a local stamp show I began to do some research for background information to highlight JFK's life on stamps. The more I read the more I became fascinated by your theroies as well as others as relates to a government cover-up. I have just recently finished High Treason by Groden and Livingstone and Crossfire by Jim Marrs and am currently wading through The Report of The Warren Commission.

This past Christmas holiday I went to the National Archives. I discovered it will require a great deal of time to read and study the hundreds of rolls of microfilm and documents there. I am very interested in continuing the search for the TRUTH! Is there any advice you might give me; or can we possibly meet to discuss this vital issue? It has been very difficult trying to reach the writers and other researchers.

I am anxiously awaiting your reply.

Respectfully,

William Beck

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With good fortune, as you can see from your enclosed envelope, your letter reached me today - 22 years after the post office forwards mail! Some of the people at the Clarks-burg Post Office, under which Hyattstown is, remember me and when they see a letter/they do forward it.

I enclose a price list, corrected to represent the new postal rates.

When you refer to my "theories" you are under a misapprehension. There are no theories in any of my books. They are entirely factual and they leave it beyond question that JFK was killed as the result of a conspiracy. However, that there was a conspiracy does not in any way identify who conspired. I've gotten about a third of a million pages of once-withheld government records as a result of a number of FOIA lawsuits. On the basis of the government's own records it is certain that no investigation was ever made and none was ever intended. I mean of the crime itself.

Crossfire is a compendium of theories, not one tenable, and Marrs has not bothered to familiarize himself with the actual evidence.

If one is not inhibited by fact theories can be made attractive and entertaining. But they further deceive and mislead the people.

The awful truth is that there are no real leads to be followed in the official records.

From this you can see that the first advice I would give you if you want to learn that is true is stay away from all the theories and all the books that pretend to solve the crime.

My health precludes my driving to Baltimore but if you are ever near here and want to talk briefly about the assassination, please call first: 473-8186.

I think you will find if you examine the available books with care that they draw largely on what was previously published and rarely on the official records. Lost do this without crediting their sources, as you may learn for yourself. What is added is theories usually present as what it isn t, fact.

Sincerely.

Harold Weisberg